Remarks

Claim Status and Amendments

Claims 3-7, 9-12, and 16-25 are pending in this application.

In the Notice of Allowability, claims 5 and 12 were rejoined to this application.

Claim 12, however, had been dependent on canceled claim 8. The limitation of claim 8

had been added to claim 25. Thus, claim 12 has been amended to be dependent upon claim

25.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application remains in allowable

condition and reconsideration and entry of these amendments is requested. Should any

extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending

condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit

Account Number 02-2275.

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